DIRECTIVES TO NATIONALISED BANKS ON WAIVING OF LOANS

2545. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER :

SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA :

Wll the Minisier of FINANCE be pleased to state ;

(a) whether all the Nationali^d Banks have revealed thai they have not rft-ceived any directives from. Government regarding waiving cf loans to weavers as announced by the Prime Minister during Sepiember, 1993;

(b) if so, what are the instructions that have been issued tn Nationalised

(c) to what extent the waiving of loans to weavers will benefit them: and

(d) what is the total amount to be involved and how many weavers have been helped under the scheme so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED) : j (a) to (dl Public Sector Banks and co-operative banks and Regional Rural Banks were advised by the Reserve Bank of India i (RBI; and by the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) in .Tunc. 1990 tor provide debt relief under the provisions of the /vgficuliural and Rural Debt Relief Scheme, 1990 in respect of the dues onl-standine as rin 2nd October, 1989 with these banks by the specified category of borrowers, including artisans and weavers in, rural areas only. The ARDR Scheme came to a close on 31-3-1991 in respect of all the States excepfing Assam and jammu and Kashmir where the scheme came to a close on 30-6-1991. No revision was made in the Scheme in any maimer thereafter and no revised instruction were issued in th s regard. Arising out of (be announcement referred to m part (a) of the quesnon it wiU be for the concerned State Govemments themselves to take appropriate action if considered necessary.

PUBLIC SECTOR BANKS IN RURAL AREAS OF GUJARAT

2546. SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL . Will the Mmister of FINANCE be pleased to stale :

(a) the details of the branches of Public Sector Barks opened in rural areas In Gujarat State durng 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93;

(b) what are the places where these branches are opened;

(c) whether branches of the Public j secteor Banks are less in Gujarat in com-! parison to other Slates ;

*(d) w*ether the Central Govemment have isued any instructions for opening more branches in Gujarat State; and

(e) what is the criterion adopted fof onenina branches in the rural areas of the S'ate ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINIS-TFR OF STATE ITJ THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED) : (a) and (b) The details of the branches of Public Sector Bankcs opened in rural areas in Gujarat during 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93 and also the locations thereof are given below :—

District	Name of Centre
1990-91	
Banuskantha	1 Jalana
Kutch	2. Kanderera (Mota)
	3. Bhimasur
	4. Nalia
Mehsana	5. GIDC, Chhatral